

UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT FOR THE EASTERN DISTRICT OF
CALIFORNIA

Garcia v. Chandra

Garcia · No. 2:22-cv-1221 TLN KJN P · Decided March 9, 2023

SUMMARY

The United States District Court for the Eastern District of California grants plaintiff Ruben Dario Garcia, Jr.'s motion for an extension of time to file an amended complaint. The court gives him sixty days from March 8, 2023, and cautions him that claims and defendants must be properly joined under the Federal Rules of Civil Procedure.

OPINION

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PER CURIAM.

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11 RUBEN DARIO GARCIA, JR., No. 2:22-cv-1221 TLN KJN P

12 Plaintiff, 13 v. ORDER 14 A. CHANDRA, et al., 15 Defendants. 16 17 Plaintiff elected to
amend his complaint in response to the February 2, 2023 screening 18 order, and filed a motion
for extension of time to file an amended complaint.1 Good cause 19 appearing, IT IS HEREBY
ORDERED that: 20 1. Plaintiff's motion for an extension of time (ECF No. 11) is granted; and 21
1 In addition to complying with the provisions of the February 2, 2023 order, plaintiff is cautioned
that claims raised in an amended complaint must be properly joined. A plaintiff may 22 properly
assert multiple claims against a single defendant. Fed. Rule Civ. P. 18. In addition, a 23 plaintiff
may join multiple defendants in one action where "any right to relief is asserted against them
jointly, severally, or in the alternative with respect to or arising out of the same transaction, 24
occurrence, or series of transactions and occurrences" and "any question of law or fact common to
all defendants will arise in the action." Fed. R. Civ. P. 20(a)(2). Unrelated claims against 25
different defendants must be pursued in separate lawsuits. See *George v. Smith*, 507 F.3d 605, 607
(7th Cir. 2007). This rule is intended "not only to prevent the sort of morass [a multiple 26 claim,
multiple defendant] suit produce[s], but also to ensure that prisoners pay the required filing 27
fees -- for the Prison Litigation Reform Act limits to 3 the number of frivolous suits or appeals
that any prisoner may file without prepayment of the required fees. 28 U.S.C. § 1915(g)." 28
George, 507 F.3d at 607.] 2. Plaintiff is granted sixty days from the date of this order in which to

file an amended 2 || complaint. 3 || Dated: March 8, 2023 ' Foci) Aharon

5 KENDALL J. NE

UNITED STATES MAGISTRATE JUDGE

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